

BODY FROM SWAMP
HOLDS ITS MYSTERYOpinions Differ on Identity
of Pretty Woman.

OFFICER TANGLES CASE

Thinks Slayer's Victim Posed
in Other's Name.

Mrs. Wright Says Woman Killed in
Harrison, N. J., Was Annie Nevins,
a Servant, but Detective Draybill
Declares She Was Agnes O'Keefe.
Bookmaker Differs with Both—Po-
lice After Bushy Beard Suspect.

Harrison, N. J., Dec. 28.—The body of
the handsome woman found Thursday
morning, nude and half-submerged in a
pool on the outskirts of Harrison, was
twice identified to-day.

Detective Sergeant Draybill, of Orange,
and Mrs. Margaret Wright, of Montclair,
say there is not a shadow of doubt that
the body is that of a woman they knew.
Draybill declares she was Agnes O'Keefe,
a maid at different times for several
families in Orange.

Mrs. Margaret Wright, who runs an
employment agency in Montclair, to-
day identified the body of the woman
as that of Mrs. Annie Nevins, a house-
maid, who had applied to her for work
on December 17 last.

Mrs. Wright went to the morgue in
Harrison to-day and told the police she
was sure that the woman who came to
her for a job was the one whose body
was found.

Before looking at the red jacket, the
bedraggled skirt, the white silk shirt
waist, the small seal to the left of two
aigrettes of white feathers, Mrs. Wright
described them accurately and gave a re-
markably accurate description, also, of
the dead woman.

Applied for Position.
On December 17, she said, a very good-
looking woman, who was perhaps thirty-
five years old, and who looked as if she
might be an upper servant, went to her
office in Montclair and applied for a job
as housekeeper.

The woman said that her home was in
Brooklyn, but that for the time being she
was staying with friends in Newark. Her
name, she said, was Mrs. Annie Nevins,
but she refused to leave her address, say-
ing that she would call again in a few
days. She never went back.

Mrs. Wright viewed the body in Under-
taker Walsh's shop, and declared posi-
tively that it was the body of the woman
who had called on her. She was sure she
could not be mistaken.

Detective Has Theory.
A little later, Detective Draybill, of
Orange, went to the morgue and made an
identification, which tangled the case still
more. Draybill was positive the woman
was Agnes O'Keefe, who had worked as a
housemaid for several families in Or-
ange, and for a long time had been em-
ployed in the household of Thomas
Nevins, the traction promoter and con-
tractor.

Thomas Nevins had a niece named An-
nie Nevins, said Draybill, who was an
intimate friend of Agnes O'Keefe. Dray-
bill thought it likely that Agnes O'Keefe
might have used, for reasons of her own,
the name of her friend, Annie Nevins.

Another tip the Harrison police thought
might pan out came from Inspector Mc-
Cafferty, of the central office, here. A
note, signed "Anonymous," came to the
inspector this morning. It read:

Letter to Police.
"The woman slain in the swamp, I
think you will find, was a Miss Smith,
former 'phone operator at the Gerard and
Woodward hotels. She lived in Brooklyn
somewhere formerly, and had some trouble,
I understand, with some man in Jer-
sey."

At the Gerard, they said to-day that a
Miss Lena B. Smith had worked there as a
telephone operator about two years ago,
and had left to join the Samson
Brick Company, which had an office in
the Flatiron Building. They hadn't heard
anything about her since. Miss Smith
lived in Bensonhurst, they said, at the
hotel. The description of Lena B. Smith
tallied very closely with that of the dead
woman.

Says She Is Lily Crist.
After gazing on the face of the woman,
Edward Palmer, a bookmaker, declared he
believed the body to be that of Lily
Crist, who lives at Schermerhorn street,
Brooklyn.

Palmer was not positive in his identi-
fication, but, when he went away, said he
would return with other friends of
Miss Crist. He said:

"It certainly looks like Miss Crist. She
disappeared from home on Tuesday evening,
and has not been seen or heard from
since. At the time she went away she
carried a small satchel, and was wearing a
red military suit, which I know she
bought at Oppenheim, Collins & Co's
store."

Looking for Deep-voiced Man.
The police are seeking a short, thick-
set, deep-voiced man with a "bushy
beard," who is reported to have been
seen with the dead woman on Christmas
night. This clue was given to the police
by Peter Coogan, a night watchman at
a machine shop near where the body was
found.

John Thumm, who owns a saloon in
Harrison, also is positive he saw the
woman in the red military suit late
Christmas night with a short, heavily
built, deep-voiced man, who wore a large,
bushy beard.

Both Coogan and Thumm say they saw
the pair go toward the river late Christ-
mas night. Coogan added a hat with a
white feather or a bow of white ribbon
to the description of her clothing. About
midnight, Coogan said, the man came
back alone. He must have seen the light
of Coogan's lantern. The watchman heard
him muttering:

Thought Light Was Ghost.
"I thought I saw a light. I don't see
it now. I guess there's ghosts about here."

Just then, Coogan says, he flashed his
light in the man's face. The man jumped
back.

"What's doing down at the river?" said
the watchman. "Where's your friend?"
"I didn't have any friend," said the
short man hastily.

OVATION TO VIRGINIA BOY.

Berlin Musical Public Approves of
John Powell's Piano Playing.
Berlin, Dec. 28.—The Berlin musical
public, usually very chary in expressing
approval of foreign artists, gave a re-
markable ovation to-night to John Pow-
ell, the twenty-year-old Richmond, Va.,
pianist, who made his debut here to-
night.

He was recalled many times, and to-
morrow morning's papers will comment
most favorably on his performance. Pow-
ell played selections from Chopin and
Liszt, a composition of his own, and a
piece by Hahn, the Richmond composer.
Friends of Paderewski say that he has
been offered the directorship of the War-
saw Conservatory as a compliment to his
fellow-countrymen. It is believed that
Paderewski has accepted.

POLITICS IN STRIKE

Philadelphia Street Car Men
Appeal to Governor.

PENROSE'S ELECTION MENACED

Farley's Men Break Camp After a
Stormy Session of Directors, in
Which Their Work is Called Un-
necessary Expense, and Are Then
Clubbed Into New York Trains.

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—The street car
situation in Philadelphia assumed a criti-
cal phase to-night when W. D. Mahon,
international president of the Amalgam-
ated Association of Street and Electric
Railway Employees of America, who ar-
rived in this city to-day, announced that
he had appealed to Gov. Stuart to use his
efforts in co-operation with Mayor Rey-
burn to arrange for arbitration of the
differences existing between the Phila-
delphia Rapid Transit Company and those
of its employees affiliated with the asso-
ciation.

Mahon announced that Samuel Gom-
pers, president of the American Federa-
tion of Labor, would come to-morrow to
confer with him, and others identified
with the amalgamated association and
with Frank Feeney, president of the Cen-
tral Labor Union, and other labor organi-
zations, with regard to the failure to in-
duce the Rapid Transit Company to treat
with its employees.

Mayor Reyburn made public a letter
addressed by him to the directorate of
the company, in which he recommended
that the men discharged because they
were affiliated with the local division of
the Amalgamated Association be restored
to the respective positions.

Strikebreakers Leave Camp.
Most startling of the developments to-
night, was the sudden breaking up of
James Farley's camp of strike breakers
at Willow Grove Park, where they have
been quartered for the last nine days.

The men had been prepared for a long
stay, and the guards had been doubled
to prevent desertions, which were many.
About 4 o'clock this afternoon it was
announced to them that they were to
move. Special trains had been brought
to take them to New York. Immediately
there was a riot. A lot of the men did
not want to go to New York.

Others wanted to go South and other
points where they came from. The
guards, who are Farley's picked men,
clubbed them into the train. One hundred
and fifty left for New York at 5 o'clock,
about the same number at 8, and the bal-
ance at 10.

Directors' Stormy Session.

This sudden departure is said to be the
result of a stormy session of the rapid
transit company directors, at which it
was charged that the Farley outfit was
not only an unnecessary expense, but a
"red rag" in the face of the present con-
dition.

AMERICAN INSULTS FLAG.

Irishman Arrests Him for Cutting
Halyards at Frenchman's Home.

Hoboken, N. J., Dec. 28.—Emil Le Fevre,
a Frenchman, is so good an American
that he keeps the Stars and Stripes float-
ing day and night above his roof tree.
Filled with German beer, Scotch high-
balls, Italian vermouth, and Swiss cheese
sandwiches, Thomas Taylor, an Ameri-
can, cut the halyards as he passed the
Le Fevre domicile to-day, and down came
the flag.

Roundsman O'Donoghue, an Irishman,
saw the traitorous deed and ran Taylor
in.

"You have insulted the flag," said
Recorder Stanton, later in the day. "I
sentence you to climb the pole and nail
the banner fast."

A guard of policemen accompanied Tay-
lor to Le Fevre's home, and in the pres-
ence of hundreds of the culprit shinned
up the forty-foot pole, nailed the bunting to
the mast, and slid down again.

"I didn't mean to insult the flag," he
said. "It was those foreign drinks I
took."

ELOPEMENT IN HIGH LIFE.

Lady Viola Talbot, Daughter of the
Earl of Shrewsbury, Weds.

London, Dec. 28.—A real elopement in
high life furnished a touch of romance to
Christmas tide last week. None of the
bride's family knew anything about it un-
til after the wedding ring was safely on
her finger, but her father, who had been
summoned by telegram to Dover, saw the
happy couple a few minutes before they
went to the continent for their honey-
moon.

The bride was Lady Viola Talbot,
daughter of the Earl of Shrewsbury, who
was recently the King's host at Ingestre.
The bridegroom is named Gore.

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PRINCIPALS IN NAVAL BUREAU CONTROVERSY.



ADMIRAL BROWNSON

CONGRESS MAY ACT

Indications Point to Inquiry
In Brownson Case.

SENATOR HALE TO START IT

"What Is the Matter with the Navy?"
Is Question Foremost in Minds of
Senators and Representatives, and
This, It Is Believed, Will Form
Basis of Proposed Investigation.

Whether there will be a thorough over-
hauling of the naval bureau by Con-
gress has not been determined.

All indications are toward an inquiry,
which will include, in addition, some ex-
amination of the causes which led to the
resignation of Rear Admiral Willard H.
Brownson from the office of Chief of the
Bureau of Navigation.

The first move, it is expected, will be
the presentation of a resolution by Sen-
ator Hale, of Maine, chairman of the Com-
mittee on Naval Affairs, requesting the
Secretary of the Navy to furnish to the
Senate a copy of Admiral Brownson's
letter.

He will be asked why he was unable
to agree with President Roosevelt's de-
cision to place a surgeon instead of a line
officer in command of the hospital ship
Relief.

Thresh Out the Question.
There was never a time when conditions
were so favorable to thrashing out the
question "What is the matter with the
navy?"

Congress, it is understood generally, is
to have a do-nothing session. There may
be financial legislation and the enact-
ment of some necessary changes in ex-
isting law, but the legislative programme
will be confined mainly to the annual ap-
propriation bills, unless the leaders
change their present intentions. In these
circumstances, plenty of opportunity will
be afforded for oratory, and the recent
criticism of naval methods will prove a
fruitful topic of discussion.

Senator Burrows, of Michigan, member
of the Naval Committee, said yesterday
he was in favor of calling for the facts.
Representative Foss, of Illinois, chair-
man of the House committee, said the
House would take no action pending the
outcome of the inquiry by the Senate.
"Such inquiries usually originate in
the Senate," he remarked.

In making this statement, Mr. Foss
overlooked the fact that the naval ap-
propriation bill, which will form the
basis for an airing of conditions in the
navy, will originate in the House, and the
opportunity to make critical speeches will
not be thrown aside by members.

Troubles Thick and Fast.
The troubles of those who deprecate any
overhauling of the naval administration
are coming thick and fast. Every move
in the effort to prevent agitation has
been upset by some circumstance that
has served to add fuel to the fire of con-
troversy. Just at the moment of the
fleet's departure, Henry Reuter's ar-
ticle attacking the naval bureau system
and the methods of battle-ship construc-
tion appeared.

Then came the interview with Rear
Admiral George W. Melville, former
Engineer Chief of the Navy, backing up
what Mr. Reuter had said. The mat-
ter might have been allowed to rest for
a while if the resignation of Rear Ad-
miral Brownson had not served to call
attention to the differences between the
bureau, and this was emphasized by the
statement of Surgeon General Rixey that
the Bureau of Navigation had hampered
the work of the Bureau of Medicine and
Surgery.

Senator Hale's interview upholding the
action of Admiral Brownson helped to
attract more attention to the controversy.
The latest contribution to the series of
articles, statements, and interviews is a
pamphlet published by the Government
Printing Office yesterday, under the title
"Personnel of the Navy and Marine Corps."
It comprises reports of the per-
sonnel board, of which Assistant Sec-
retary of the Navy Newberry is president,
and boards representing each of the staff
departments of the service.

These reports are made in September,
October, and November, and were trans-
mitted to Congress just before the hol-
iday recess. Their publication at this time

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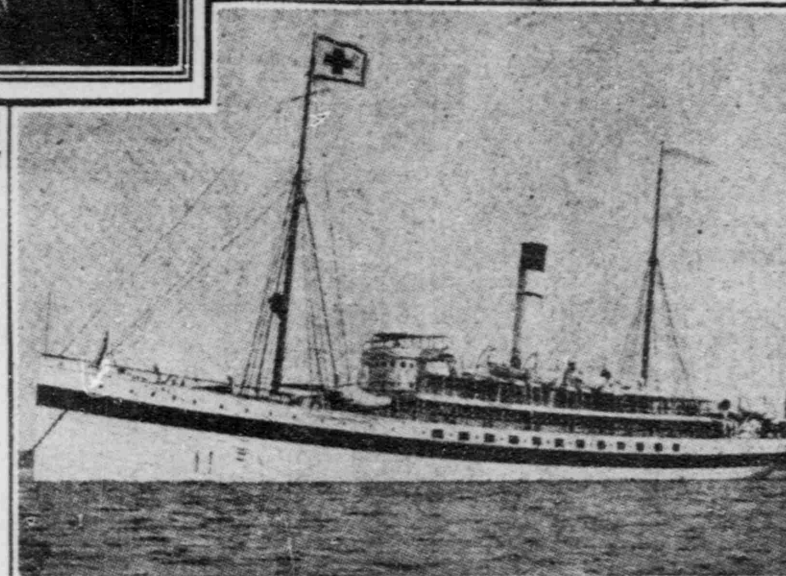
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STRIKES AT FORAKER FLEET AGAIN MOVES

Ohio Combine Opposes His
Return to Senate.

POWERFUL FORCES AT WORK

Montgomery County Republicans
Also Attack His Presidential Boom,
and End Committee Meeting by
Declaring for Taft—May Be Elim-
inated from Politics.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 28.—That a com-
bination has been formed, the object of
which is to bar Senator Foraker from
returning to the United States Senate, by
Gen. Charles Grosvenor, defeated a year
ago for re-election to the national house
from the Eleventh Ohio district; Harry
M. Daugherty, a leader for two years of
the anti-Foraker forces, and once aspirant
for the governorship, and George B. Cox,
all-powerful bosses of Cincinnati and
Hamilton County, with a few others
thrown in, is indicated by messages to
local practical politicians.

These messages are directing the fight
in Cuyahoga County, hub of the first bat-
tle between the Foraker and Taft forces.
The messages show that the three, each
of whom would be Senator, are united
in an effort to wreck Senator Foraker's
prestige, and are willing to fight out the
succession among themselves after For-
aker is eliminated.

Blow to Present Boom.
Senator Foraker's presidential aspira-
tion, as well as his suspected leaning to-
ward another term in the Senate, de-
spite his elimination of himself from con-
sideration for that office, pending the
outcome of the fight in Ohio with Sec-
retary Taft for presidential delegates, was
given a rude shock to-day when the
Montgomery County Republican Execu-
tive Committee adopted a resolution in-
dorsing Secretary Taft for the Presidency,
and refused to vote favorably on a last-
minute resolution declaring it to be the
belief of the committee that Senator For-
aker should be re-elected to the Sen-
ate.

The meeting was marked by bitter fac-
tional battling, but the fifteen members
are divided unevenly, the great majority
having been named as members of a fac-
tion decidedly anti-Foraker in feeling.

Indorsement for Taft.
President Mattern, of the Ohio League
of Republican Clubs, which gave Senator
Foraker his chance to declare himself a
Presidential aspirant by indorsing him
both for the Presidency and the Senate,
was active in waging the fight for the
Senator. But the votes were the other
way, and the Taft resolution went
through with eleven votes behind it, two
members not voting, and one being ab-
sent, which left Foraker one adherent.

The Foraker resolution, indorsing him
for another term in the Senate, was de-
feated by a closer vote, the Senator find-
ing five supporters.

Trust Fighter a Suicide.
Thomas D. Worrall, Friend of Wil-
liam J. Bryan, Takes Poison.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 28.—Thomas D.
Worrall, trust fighter, friend of William
J. Bryan, and Democratic politician, was
found dead in his office to-day with a
two-ounce acid bottle beside him.
In letters to his sons, Worrall declared
that incessant pains in his head forbade
peace. The police declare it was suicide.
Three years ago Worrall started a fight
against the grain combine. Attorney Gen-
eral Norris Brown brought up the case,
securing an injunction in the Supreme
Court, and his resulting popularity led to
his election to the United States Senate.
Worrall is the author of a book which
discloses the trust methods.

J. H. Small & Sons, Florists,
Washington and New York.

Cumberland Officials Make Out List
for Guidance of Saloons.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Cumberland, Md., Dec. 28.—An official
list of alleged "habitual drunkards" of
Cumberland has been distributed among
the saloonkeepers of the city for their
guidance and protection.

The list has been posted by a number of
saloonkeepers. It contains about twenty-
five names, including several of persons
who were once prominent in the business
life of Cumberland. The posting of the
list has created a sensation.

The general remark is that the list does
not embrace all whose names should be
so entered.

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FUGITIVE IS SHIPWRECKED.

Steamer Alps, with William Adler
Aboard, Goes Aground.

New Orleans, Dec. 28.—A cablegram from
Belize announces the arrival there of the
mate of the steamship Alps, the vessel
on which William Adler, the fugitive
president of the State National Bank, and
his friend, Moses Schwartz, were fleeing
to Central America.

The mate reports that the Alps went
ashore on Glover's Reef, off the coast of
Honduras. No lives were lost.

Adler left here eight days ago with a
large cargo of provisions and several
boxes supposed to contain rifles. The
cargo was directed to the government of
Honduras. An attempt was made to in-
tercept the cargo by the creditors, and the
Honduras consul telegraphed to the offi-
cials there to detain it, but the vessel
never arrived at Puerto Cortez, for
which she cleared.

GUILD SPURNS TAFT

Bay State Governor Will Not
Greet Secretary.

DECLINES DINNER INVITATION

Refuses to Mix in the Boom of the
Member of the Cabinet, Who Will
Visit Boston To-morrow Night—His
Reasons Are Not Quite Clear, but
Conjecture Is Rife.

Boston, Dec. 28.—Considerable gossip has
been occasioned by the report that Gov.
Guild will not attend the banquet on
Monday night at which Secretary of War
Taft is to announce his candidacy for the
Republican nomination.

This rumor was verified to-day by the
secretary of the Boston Merchants' As-
sociation, who said that Lieut. Gov.
Draper is going to represent the State at
the function, and it was learned from
other sources that the governor will not
find it convenient to attend either of the
other two affairs at which Mr. Taft is
going to speak.

The secretary of the association said to-
day that he wrote to the governor early
in the month, inviting him to the ban-
quet, and that the latter replied that he
was not making any engagement until
after his inauguration this year.

Governor May Call.
It may be that Gov. Guild may take the
opportunity of paying his respects pri-
vately during Secretary Taft's sojourn in
the city, but there are a lot of people
who believe that Guild does not propose
to figure too prominently in the Taft re-
ceptions for fear that he will be put down
as a boomer of the latter.

No one suspects that Guild is secretly
nursing a little bee of his own, or that
he takes seriously the Guild boom launch-
ed by a Western editor recently. It is
not thought possible that the governor
could fail to be friendly to Taft, because
he owes his political career to Senator
Lodge, who, of course, concurred with the
Roosevelt selection.

It may be that Guild is not mixing in
the Taft display because of his friend-
liness to Senator Crane, the silent anti-
Taft man.

KANSAS STRONG FOR TAFT.

State Committee Makes Second De-
claration for Secretary.

Topeka, Dec. 28.—The Republican State
central committee, at its meeting to-day,
went on record again for William H. Taft
as the Republican nominee for President.
By unanimous vote the committee adopt-
ed this resolution, introduced by W. Y.
Morgan:

Whereas the time required for the action of
primaries and conventions prevent the Republicans
of Kansas taking the early action they desire; and
Whereas we want the Republicans of other States
to understand our position; therefore, be it
Resolved, By the Republican State central com-
mittee that the Republicans of Kansas are in favor
of the nomination of William H. Taft for President
of the United States.

When he offered the resolution, Mr.
Morgan said: "We know that there is a
big fight now on for the nomination of
President of the United States. Kansas
already has taken action for Taft. It is
for Taft, and it is so understood, and yet
every little bit we can do will help some."
There will be only one Republican State
convention next year. It will nominate
the State ticket and select the delegates to
the Republican national convention.
This convention will meet in Topeka at
noon Wednesday, March 4.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Mrs. Becker Loses Life and Daughter
May Die.

Mrs. T. M. Becker was burned to death
last night in a fire which destroyed her
home at 1008 Eleventh street northwest.

Her daughter, Edna Becker, eighteen
years of age, was badly burned about the
body and limbs, and may die.

The building caught fire about 1:20
o'clock from an unknown cause. Edna
and her young brother were on an upper
floor. Mrs. Becker was in the basement
working near a stove. An ember from
the stove, it is believed, set fire to clothes
in the room.

BIG FIRE IN PITTSBURG.

Flames in Packing House Not Un-
der Control at 3 A. M.

Pittsburg, Dec. 28.—What threatens to
prove a serious blaze occurred here
shortly before 2 o'clock this (Sunday)
morning, when a fire broke out in the
pork packing-house of Rea & Company.

Three alarms were turned in in quick
succession.

One fireman was injured shortly after
the blaze started.

The flames are not yet under control,
and heavy loss is certain to result.

BED OF GULF IS CHANGED.

Mexico City, Dec. 28.—Recent earth-
quakes have changed the bed of the
gulf of Campeche, especially just off the
Yucatan coast, that navigation has be-
come exceedingly dangerous. The de-
crease in depth in harbor channel to the
port of Progreso amounts to several feet,
making it impossible for vessels of deep
draught to enter.

A warning has been issued to navigators
by the meteorological bureau.

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CLEVELAND FEELS
NATION'S NEGLECTThinks ex-Presidents Should
Be Provided For.

NO PERSONAL FEELING

Speaks for All Upon Whom
Demands Are Made.

Honor, Respect, and Affection Are
Not All-sufficing, He Says, as
America Expects Much of Her Chief
Executives—Refers to Lives of Jef-
ferson and Adams—Declares Peo-
ple Have Duty to Perform.

New York, Dec. 28.—Grover Cleveland
has written an article for the issue of
the Youth's Companion of January 2 on
"Our duties to our ex-Presidents," in
which he speaks of the necessity of an
ex-President, his obligations and occupa-
tions, and touches upon the provision the
people should make for retired Chief
Magistrates.

On the subject of an ex-President's
necessities, Mr. Cleveland writes:
"Does the honor and respect, or even
the personal affection generously ac-
corded by his countrymen, to one who
has retired from their highest office,
serve the purpose of complete acquit-
tance, on the people's side, of the ac-
count?"

"Unquestionably, from a sentimental
point of view, the honor, respect, and
affection put to their credit are of in-
finitely more value than any service that
can be performed by an ex-President, and
abundantly compensate for any restraint
exacted from him at their behest. But
how stands the account in the light of
the necessities of the workaday world,
which hold us all in unyielding environ-
ment?"

Dignity of Position.

"Mention has already been made, of the
requirement by the people, that the con-
duct and occupations of their ex-Presi-
dents should be so restricted that the
dignity of the position they occupy will
be scrupulously maintained. This sug-
gests, without argument, a reciprocal